

# The Romulus News

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## Timely Tidbits ...

### Meet the Candidates

Local residents are invited to attend the Halecreek Community Association's Meet the Candidates Night, which will begin at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, October 4, at Halecreek School (16200 Harrison). Light refreshments will be served.

### Last Day to Register

Linda Choate, Romulus City Clerk, has announced that unregistered voters who plan to participate in the November 7 general election must meet the registration deadline of 5 p.m. Monday, October 9, 1995. For information on registering or applying for an absentee ballot, or to find out about becoming a City election worker, call the Clerk's office: 942-7540.

### Free CPR Class

Romulus residents are invited to take advantage of a free CPR class (sponsored by the Romulus Fire Department) to be held at Fire Station #4 (28777 Eureka Road) on Saturday, October 7, from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Class size is limited; call 941-8585 to register.

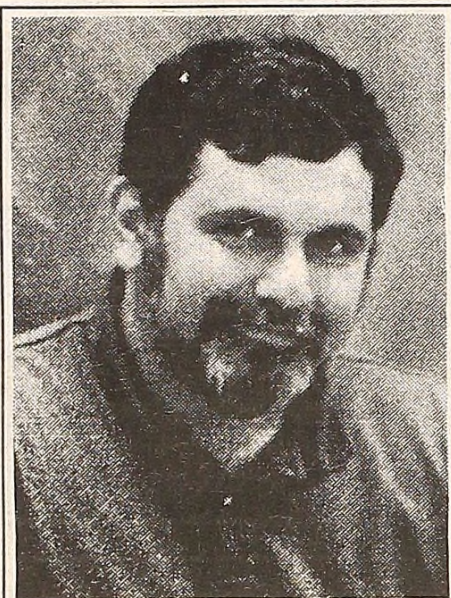
### Open House

Kicking off Fire Prevention Week, 1995, will be the Romulus Fire Department's annual Open House, slated for Sunday, October 8, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The event will feature equipment demonstrations and a tour of the fire station, plus a chance to meet our heroic firefighters.

### Grand Opening

Mary Ann Csaszar, the new owner of the Kozy Korner Cafe on Goddard in downtown Romulus, and her partner, Bryant Frost, will join Gayle Vernatt, owner of the adjacent Romulus Resale Shop, to hold a combined "grand opening gala" on Saturday, October 7. The Resale Shop's celebration will begin at 10 a.m. and continue till 4 p.m., with popcorn and balloons for the kids plus an appearance by McGruff the Crime Dog from noon to 4 p.m. The Kozy Korner's grand opening will be from 2 to 3 p.m. □

## Romulus High School Teacher Faces Charges of Child Sexual Abuse



William Raeck

By Kristi Stephens

Forty-three-year-old William F. Raeck, Jr., a Romulus resident who has

taught in Romulus Community Schools for the past 20 years, faces charges of child abuse and child sexual abuse.

According to Lieutenant Kevin Kraus of the Romulus Police Department, Raeck was taken into custody on Friday, September 22, following an initial investigation by police, and charged with two counts each of child abuse in the first degree and child sexually abusive activity.

Although the two alleged victims (one currently 19 years old; the other, age 13) were both Raeck's students, Kraus was quick to emphasize that none of the incidents reported to date took place on school property or during school activities. Rather, all supposedly occurred at Raeck's Romulus home, his home in the Irish Hills, or at his former business, Mr. Bill's Pizza of Romulus. All incidents are believed to have taken place between 1991 and 1994.

Kraus did not give specifics regarding the nature of the sexually abusive behavior purported to be involved, but did say that police were investigating the use of photographs and video tapes in connection with the incidents.

Joel Carr, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations for the Romulus school district, told *The Romulus News* that an investigation into the charges against Raeck will be conducted by the District as well. In the meantime, in accordance with Michigan tenure laws, the Romulus High School teacher has been suspended with pay until the inquiries are concluded.

According to Carr, this is the first time that the District has been made aware of such complaints against Raeck.

Raeck, who is currently free on a \$60,000 cash bond, is scheduled to appear in court for preliminary examination on Wednesday, October 25. □

## Council OKs Funds For Street Repair

By Kristi Stephens

At its regular meeting held on Monday, September 25, the Romulus City Council passed a resolution to set aside more than \$700,000 for the repair of several badly damaged roads in the Meadowdale subdivision.

The original motion to repair these streets – Leroy (from Oak Tree Lane to Groveland), Knurlwoode, Ridgebrook Path, Hermosa, Burning Tree Place (from Hermosa to Leroy), and Wildfox Court – was made at the September 11 Council meeting, but discussion ensued over the second reading and final adoption of the motion when Councilman Jimmie C. Raspberry asked his colleagues to consider changing the status of the directive from "resolution" to "ordinance."

"I had received numerous calls from Meadowdale subdivision residents who were afraid that our resolution to repair their streets would never become a reality," Raspberry told *The Romulus News*. "One concern was that, following the November 7th election, some or all of the new Council members might not wish to spend such a large sum on road repair, and therefore try to rescind the

resolution. Since a resolution can be amended or rescinded by a simple majority vote, but an ordinance cannot be overturned with less than five votes, I thought that passing the motion as an ordinance would reassure residents."

Reaction to Raspberry's suggestion was mixed. Although they understood his concern, some of his colleagues expressed doubt that any of the candidates currently seeking office would attempt to reverse a decision made in good faith by the current City Council. No one, including Raspberry, wanted this to become a "political issue."

Because new ordinances must be published in the City's official newspaper, questions were raised about the (relatively small) additional cost this would impose on the City; and because there is a 45-day waiting period before ordinances go into effect, concern was expressed that, unlikely as it might seem, such a delay could also delay the beginning of construction work next spring.

Halecreek Community Association (HCA) president Robert McLachlan, who was in attendance that evening, said that his organization would be most comfortable with the passage of an or-



Councilman Jimmie Raspberry

dinance – but, after acknowledging the additional cost involved and the possibility of delay, he told Council that the HCA would be satisfied with a resolution if Council would agree to take the entire sum earmarked for the project and place it into an escrow account.

Assured by both McLachlan and  
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## COUNCIL VOTES TO REPAIR ROADS

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Councilman Randy Gear (who resides in the Meadowdale subdivision) that Halecreek Association members would be satisfied with a resolution, Raspberry withdrew his motion for an ordinance. "If you're satisfied, then so am I," said Raspberry.

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### Also of interest at the meeting . . .

- With Council's attention already turned to road improvement, Councilman Ellis Pennington and his colleagues asked the administration to report on the feasibility of the City assuming responsibility for the improvement and maintenance of Herman Street west of Ozga (now a private road).
- Councilman Pennington also asked the administration to encourage developers of the Wick Road project to set a high priority on making a shopping mall part of the project. Mayor Beverly McNally assured him that such encouragement has been ongoing and will continue in the future.
- Public hearings concerning tax-abatement requests were scheduled for Monday, October 9, at City Hall. Asking for 12-year abatements were Adistra, which would like to begin a commercial printing and binding service in an existing industrial district, creating approximately 200 new jobs in two years, and General Motors Powertrain, whose project would involve construction (in an existing industrial development district) of a plant for the assembly of powertrains and transmissions, creating 237 new jobs in two years. Adistra is seeking an abatement on approximately \$9 million in real and personal property; GM's abatement request is for almost \$79 million in personal property. The GM hearing is scheduled to begin at 6 p.m.; Adistra's hearing will start at 7 p.m.
- City Council took action to authorize a Cable Franchise Consent Agreement Resolution, subject to final approval by attorneys, and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign the Transfer Consent Agreement subject to attorneys' finalization and approval. The transfer, if approved, would allow Omnicom Cable to turn its Romulus cable service over to Continental Cablevision.
- Council granted Romulus High School a no-fee permit for its annual Homecoming parade, which is set for Saturday, October 14, at 5 p.m.
- The elected officials sent memorial resolutions to the families of Edmund Bizek Jr., Jerry Canejo, and Juanray Nolan Street, and sent best wishes for a speedy recovery to Mary Ann Banks and Dot Icenogle. □

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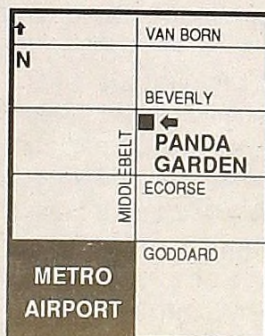
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## Letters to the Editor

*Editor's note: All letters to the editor must contain the writer's signature and a telephone number where he/she can be reached in order to verify the letter's authenticity. Names will be withheld by request if, in our opinion, the letter's content merits anonymity.*

The Romulus News reserves the right to edit all letters for clarity and, if necessary, brevity.

## Reader Says Traffic Jam Causes Grave Danger

To the Editor:

On Monday, September 11, between about 6 and 7 p.m., there was a dangerous traffic jam on southbound Middlebelt Road just before Wick Road. Semitrailers, trucks, and cars were stopped bumper to bumper for over two miles and the vehicles coming off the I-94 exit ramps had nowhere to go. Had there been an accident, there would have been an easy pileup of 30 or more cars. I watched a truck nearly tip over coming off of the eastbound I-94 ramp. The driver was trying to make a left quickly before the brief space between vehicles once again closed. Had his truck tipped, it would have landed on a car.

The left-turn lane and the left southbound lane were blocked off by Wayne County trucks just at the Middlebelt railroad overpass extending up to the traffic light at Wick Road. In this small portion of the road where it was blocked off, I witnessed one Wayne County worker bent over and using a paint brush to paint the white stripe lines for the left-turn lane. He stood up, laughing, and turned toward a Wayne County truck. "Does this look straight enough?" he yelled to one of the men.

If the sign shop for the Wayne County Road Department is going to have its workers on overtime, then why not do it on a weekend when traffic is less heavy, or at a time when there is no

rush-hour traffic? The phone number to call and make a formal complaint about such instances is 955-9926. If you were in that traffic jam, then let someone know that your life is important, and that you don't want to be placed in that dangerous situation again.

Kathleen Moomaw

## Poll-taker Explains Sampling Method

To the Editor:

First, I want to thank you for printing my opinion in your Local Commentary column (September 15, 1995; Vol. 9, No. 4). I also want to thank you for pointing out in your Editor's note that I was remiss in my omission of the description of the Romulus residents I polled. I would like to rectify that now.

Across Wayne Road from the Romulus Senior High School is an apartment complex, and buttressed against the apartments is a subdivision of single-family homes. It was in these two locales that I went knocking door to door. Those who answered my poll were evenly divided between men and women. Fifteen percent were Americans of African descent and the rest were Caucasians of unknown lineage. I did not ask about religions, incomes, or ages. I can say that, judging from appearances, I covered a very diverse age group in a random sampling of two Romulus neighborhoods.

I believe that my sample of our community was as representative as any other poll purports to be - if not in scientific terms, then in a practical sense.

Thanking you again,

Daniel L. Sanchez

(To "Concerned Citizen": Your letter was interesting, but I cannot publish it without your signature and your telephone number. Give me a call and we can discuss this; perhaps, if you have sufficient reason, I can withhold your name.

-The Editor) □

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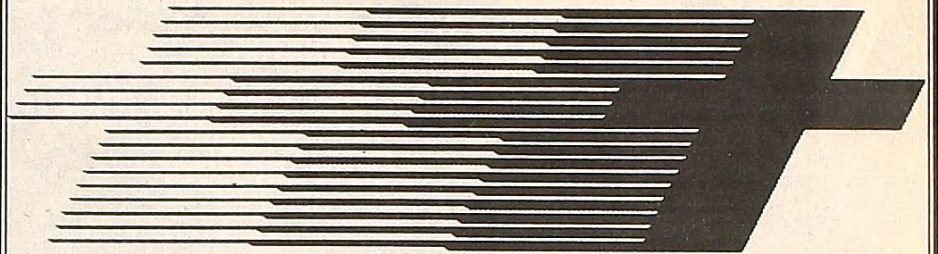
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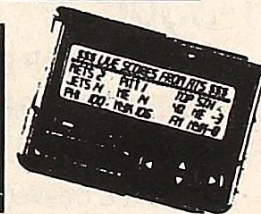
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## Romulus' Project SERVE Students Go To Camp



By Kathy Hurst, Project SERVE Coordinator and Sandy Schwartz, Community Representative

At 8 a.m. on August 28, 35 students and several Project SERVE staff members loaded a bus and headed for Camp Tamarack in Ortonville, Michigan. The hoped-for three-day outcome was to develop strategies for implementing service-learning activities for the 1995-1996 school year.

The outcome was achieved through group initiatives and student/staff workshops. Students and staff spent one-half of each day being taken out of their "comfort zone" as they worked with their peers to climb a 40-foot wall, participate in a drop-off hike, and challenge themselves on a "high ropes" course at heights from 14-21 feet from the ground. Each obstacle posed different challenges for each individual.

From 4 to 6 p.m. each day, groups were given "free time" to swim, canoe, sleep, or just sit around. Most chose to swim or canoe.

The time that was not spent climbing walls, challenging yourself personally, or enjoying the great outdoors was reserved for workshop.

Community voice is the first of the five key components of a successful service-learning project. During the first session, students were given the opportunity to voice their concerns regarding their school and community.

Concerns ranged from "lack of community activities for youth" to "a desire to have staff more involved in extracurricular activities," stated High School senior, Scott Smith.

Emphasis was placed on the value of youth within the community and the fact that they do, indeed, make a definite difference.

After a final group meeting on Wednesday morning, students loaded the bus which embarked back to Romulus with individual and group goals to make Romulus High School – and the Romulus community – an even better place. □

### Romulus Recreation Women's Golf League

(final results)

Carroll Rafalski & Nancy Schonscheck (first; 50.5 points), Mary Oakley & Mary Laverack (second; 48.0), Shirley Roszler & Joann Hunter (third; 47.0), Janine Jung & Cathy Duford (fourth; 42.5), Mary Charette & JoAnne Whaley (fifth; 42.0), Mary Lou Kosmalski & Diane Hopson (sixth; 39.5), Marlene Boileau & Linda Larkin (seventh; 39.5), Toni Brothers & Carol Rakotz (eighth; 37.0), Velvet Boileau & Karen Linebaugh (ninth; 36.5), Carole Bales & Sharon Popek (tenth; 36.5), Carol Hein & Angie Prentis (eleventh; 35.5), Cindy Bennett & Lynne Cadden (twelfth; 35.5), Robbie Orme & Sheila Stasak (thirteenth; 34.0), Sue Cichowski & Sherra Lowry (fourteenth; 31.0), Kim Rose & Gail Coleman (sixteenth; 27.0), and Nancy Antioch & Lena Dusa (seventeenth; 18.0). □

### Romulus Recreation Men's Softball

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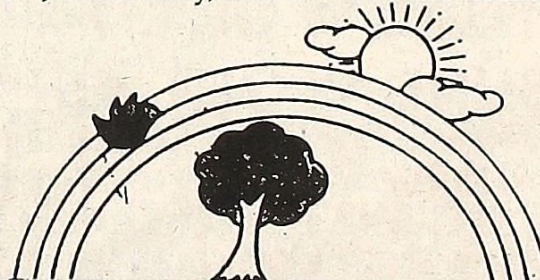
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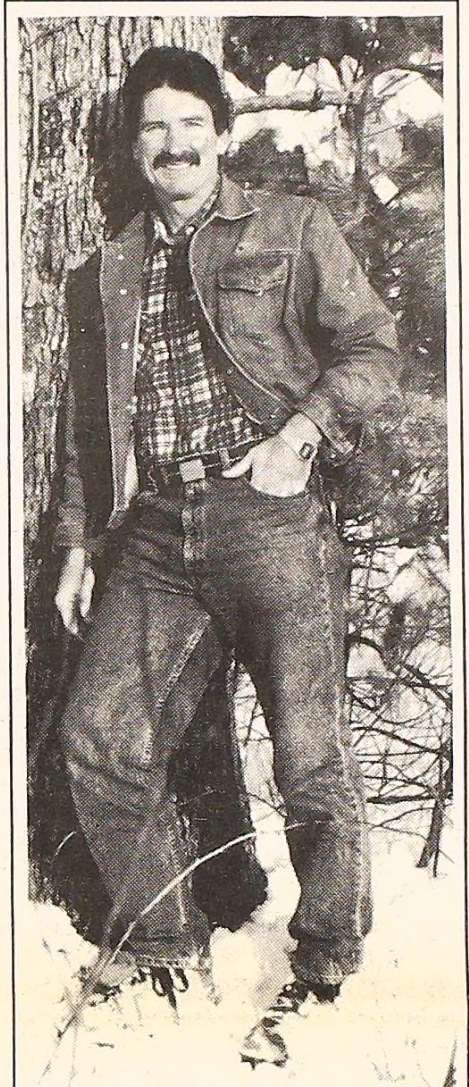
By Scott Warren Taylor

So much of the allure of a border state like Michigan resides in the history of her people, and few storytellers truly sanctioned to caricature their saga are as entertaining as Michigan writer Larry Massie. It is not so surprising that his latest accomplishment "Michigan Memories," his twelfth book, is yet another episode in his astonishing obsession with our state.

In "Michigan Memories," Massie blends his irrepressible zeal and wit with sufficient scholarship to prevent his inclination toward the dramatic and ironic from distorting the truth of our history. He tells us that once Michigan was populated by generative souls, dreamers and builders, Indians and frauds, wild with vision, sick with ambition. It seems that soon after its glacial waters receded, Michigan has hosted a fascinating cast of eccentrics, often engaging individuals who reveal and enlarge our history.

It was Michigan soil that nourished celery; it was Samuel J. Dunkley, who, with the help of gamboling chubby nude ladies, hawked "Celerytone" as an aphrodisiac "par excellence." It was fashion that called for wasp-waisted figures; it was Michigan industry that enslaved women to manufacture bone-reinforced corsets that literally squeezed the life from many a sweetheart. But women were saved! Yes! Women were saved from corsets by the fraud psychic healer, Dr. James M. Peebles, who claimed he would "seize with a pair of tongs every pair of corsets on earth and make one great pyramid pile, and . . . burn them to ashes." Women were saved. Yes, saved! By Mary Pengelly who claimed she could cure the ailments caused by the deadly corset with a dose of "Zoa Phora" — a wicked mixture, mostly alcohol. If you think Massie's sense of irony will neglect to reveal that Mary Pengelly was also a pillar of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, then you just haven't discovered Massie. His stories are many, varied, and endlessly entertaining.

Having matured without deviation from his passion, Massie, the recipient of three degrees in history, now ranks as the preeminent voice of Michigan tradition and folklore. One can trace his literary growth as if it were the rings of a native white pine, each year enveloping more of the land, more of its past, more of its people. Enter his home and you'll find tens of thousands of books on Michigan, but you'll not find the writer home, for it is summer and he is out trampling through the forest grasses to catch another glimpse of her swollen rivers, take in the moan of a petulant wind snared in her dunes, or to cruise her estate sales for yet another rare journal. At the least,



Larry Massie at home in his beloved Allegan Forest.

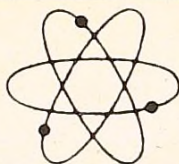
he has departed on one of hundreds of annual dramatic and scholarly lectures given to school children and clubs across the State.

For those rare moments when he halts the act of discovery and takes to pen and paper, his readers are immeasurably enriched. Let this go without dispute: Massie tells Michigan like no other.

What you'll discover is that Massie's greatest talent (beyond prodigious historical research) is knowing what will provoke our imagination. Whenever possible, Massie allows the voices of the past to speak for themselves. But to amplify the illuminate, Massie enters just as the voice grows faint, rounding out the teller's own tale. If you have read Massie, this new publication will add to your joy; if you haven't, "Michigan Memories" is the perfect place to begin what will become a long appreciation of his greatest love: the sorted history of our border state.

You can find "Michigan Memories" at most bookstores. But if you have trouble obtaining a copy, you can contact the Boskage Press by calling (616) 673-7242, or write to 209 Locust St., Allegan, MI 49010. (MC, VISA, AM. EX. Discover, accepted.) □

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### REGULAR MEETING, SEPTEMBER 11, 1995

The Regular Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Monday, September 11, 1995 was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by President Debra A. Hoffman.

Roll call showed all Members present. All Administrators were present.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Debra A. Hoffman.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

9/95/5 Moved by Gondek supported by Kesner to approve the Agenda as presented. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

9/95/6 Moved by Patterson supported by Oleszkowicz to approve the Minutes of August 28 and September 5, 1995 as presented. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

#### REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

##### Personnel Actions

Mr. Joel R. Carr, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations, offered the following personnel actions for the Board's approval – Termination: Scott Ramsey, August 30, 1995; Employment: Steve Losey, EMI Teacher, Barth Elementary, September 5, 1995; Retirement: Shirley Roszler, Secretary, Transportation, October 31, 1995; and Medical Leave of Absence: Rose Cureton, Lunchroom Aide, Halecreek, Approximately Two Months.

9/95/7 Moved by Patterson supported by Berlenn to approve the personnel actions as recommended by Mr. Joel R. Carr. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

##### Bills for Payment

9/95/8 Moved by Oleszkowicz supported by Langley to approve Bills for Payment as presented by Mr. Joel R. Carr, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

##### Language Arts Text Adoption

9/95/9 Moved by Oleszkowicz supported by Patterson to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and adopt the 1996 edition of the Houghton Mifflin Invitations to Literacy Language Arts program for elementary schools. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

##### Brief 1994-95 Budget Report

Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent, gave a brief summary on the outstanding news as it relates to last year's budget and responded to questions by members of the Board of Education. He also stated that they would be receiving the Audit Report at the end of this month or the first meeting in October.

##### Computers in the Media Center

9/95/10 Moved by Patterson supported by Langley to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the upgrading of computers in the Media Center and the transfer of 20 computers to Adult Ed as per the attached memo. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

##### MASB Voting Delegates

Mrs. Debra A. Hoffman, President, appointed Mrs. Sandra F. Langley and Mr. Kenneth E. Berlenn to be voting delegates at the MASA/MASB Joint Conference in Grand Rapids on October 26, 1995.

##### Pregnant Person Agreement

9/95/11 Moved by Gondek supported by Oleszkowicz to authorize the Superintendent to sign the Agreement with Garden City Schools for services for pregnant students. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

##### Communications and Expressions from the Public

The audience discussed the following matters with the Board of Education: 1) The status of MEAP scores that were taken by individual Board Members; 2) the continuation of gifted and talented programs for students; 3) complimented the appearance of the bleachers installed at the High School; and 4) full-day kindergarten reaction.

##### Items of Interest from the Superintendent

Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent, discussed the following items of interest with the Board of Education: 1) Dolan – School Store; 2) Rochester Settlement; and 3) Gifted and Talented Memo.

##### Questions and/or Concerns of Board Members

Mrs. Sandra F. Langley expressed concern about a kindergarten child who might show up on the wrong day. What becomes of this child? Dr. Bedell stated that they would stay in school and the parents would be contacted. She also stated that one building uses a "lunch/nap" room. Are other buildings doing anything similar? Dr. Bedell stated that this issue will be discussed with the other administrators.

##### Executive Session – Negotiations

9/95/12 Moved by Patterson supported by Langley that the Board convene in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing negotiations. Roll call vote showed: Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Board convened in Executive Session at 8:48 P.M. and reconvened in Regular Session at 9:47 P.M.

##### ADJOURNMENT:

9/95/13 Moved by Oleszkowicz supported by Patterson that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Meeting was adjourned at 9:49 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Judith A. Gondek, Secretary  
Romulus Board of Education

## Barth's Best Summer School Spellers Earn Breakfast Treat

During Barth Elementary's "Summer School" session, students were challenged to learn to spell the 300 most-used words in the English language. Principal Harold Connon offered to take to breakfast all students who could correctly spell 90% of the 300 words.

Taking first-place honors by successfully spelling a total of 297 words was Ryan Ellis.

Carla Broom, Mary Nunes, and Molly Tuttle each spelled 286 words correctly.

On Wednesday, August 13, Principal Connon accompanied the students to the McDonald's restaurant located on Wayne Road in Romulus. Mrs. Judy Bowers, Community Relations Representative for McDonald's, served students whatever they wanted from the menu, and also gave each of them a "back-to-school kit."

The staff and students of Barth School would like to thank Bowers and the Wayne Road McDonald's for breakfast and for all the help they've given as the School's "business partner." □

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### EXECUTIVE SESSION, SEPTEMBER 12, 1995

The Executive Session of the Romulus Board of Education held on Tuesday, September 12, 1995 was called to order at 5:40 P.M. by President Debra A. Hoffman.

Roll call showed all Members present. All Administrators were present. Mr. Thomas Schwarze, Attorney, was also present.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Debra A. Hoffman.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION:

9/95/14 Moved by Oleszkowicz supported by Langley to convene in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing contract negotiations. Roll call vote showed: Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Board convened in Executive Session at 5:42 P.M.

9/95/15 Moved by Oleszkowicz supported by Patterson to convene in Regular Session. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Board reconvened in Regular Session at 7:28 P.M.

#### ADJOURNMENT:

9/95/16 Moved by Langley supported by Kesner that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Judith A. Gondek, Secretary  
Romulus Board of Education

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### SPECIAL MEETING, SEPTEMBER 13, 1995

The Special Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Wednesday, September 13, 1995 was called to order at 5:53 P.M. by President Debra A. Hoffman.

Roll call showed all Members present. All Administrators and Administrative Staff were present. Mr. Frank Wydra, Consultant from I.R.I., was also present.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Debra A. Hoffman.

#### REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

##### Dinner – Administrative Staff

The Board and Administrative Staff assembled for dinner.

##### Comments from Mrs. Hoffman

Mrs. Debra A. Hoffman, President, welcomed members of the Administrative Staff and outlined the purpose of the meeting with them and Mr. Frank Wydra.

##### Discussion of I.R.I. Report

Mr. Frank Wydra, Consultant from Industrial Relations Incorporated, was present and discussed the final report as requested by the Board of Education to improve student performance on the MEAP, conduct ongoing performance appraisals of professional staff performance, and achieve full utilization and integration of technology.

#### ADJOURNMENT:

9/95/17 Moved by Kesner supported by Oleszkowicz that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Judith A. Gondek, Secretary  
Romulus Board of Education



## Community Calendar

- **Local Writers Group Forming** – No matter what your writing interest (poetry, fiction, journalism, etc.), you'll want to check out this now-forming club for local writers. The group's initial meeting will be held on Monday, October 2, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Romulus Public Library (11121 Wayne Road near City Hall). Writers of all skill levels – whether experienced, just beginning, or even just thinking about writing – are invited to attend. Participants will establish the group's focus, agenda, and schedule at the meeting. For more information, call the Library at 942-7589.
- **Low-cost Flu Vaccines** – Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne (33155 Annapolis) will be offering low-cost flu vaccinations to help protect against the flu strain anticipated for the '95-'96 flu season. Vaccinations will be available on a walk-in basis from 9 to 11 a.m. on October 4 and October 18, and from 2 to 4 p.m. on October 11 and October 25. There will be a charge of \$5 per flu shot. For more information, call 467-5555.
- **October Events at St. Paul Church** – St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church (corner of Ellis and Craig in New Boston) has scheduled the following events: Craft Show (Saturday, October 7, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sunday, October 8, from 12 to 5 p.m.); Soup Luncheon (Saturday, October 7, from 11 a.m. till sold out); BBQ Chicken/Ribs Dinner (Sunday, October 8, from noon till sold out); All-you-can-eat Fish Dinner (Friday, October 13, from 5 to 7 p.m.); and Rummage Sale (Friday, October 20, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturday, October 21, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.). The public is invited to all events.
- **"How To Take Back The House"** – Learn tips on managing the difficult child, resolving conflicts without a headache, how to expect appropriate behavior, bringing up a moral child, and more when you attend "How To Take Back The House," presented by Jacque Martin-Downs, MA/MSW, at Community United Methodist Church (11160 Olive, Romulus) on Tuesday, October 10, from 7:30 to 8:45 p.m. Free refreshments and child care. Call to reserve a seat: 941-0736.
- **Romulus Public Library Presents "Family Activities"** – Children ages three to five who are ready for independent listening but are not yet in kindergarten are invited to participate in "Family Activities," a preschool storytime program which will feature stories, games, and crafts about family activities such as birthdays, bedtime, mealtime, playtime, and bathtime. Choose from Tuesday (7 p.m.) or Thursday (10:30 a.m.) sessions beginning October 10/12 and running for five weeks (through November 7/9). The program is free, but space is limited, so call 942-7589 to register right away. Library hours are Monday through Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Thursday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday from 12 to 5 p.m.
- **STEP** – Parents and others who want to better communicate with children can sign up for a free Systematic Training for Effective Parenting class, which will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. Thursdays beginning October 12 and continuing through December 14. For more information, call Patricia F. Taylor-Eubanks, SW, at 782-9800.
- **Wine for the Spirit, Health for the Heart** – To help in the prevention and reduction of heart disease, the Oakwood Healthcare System Foundations and Merchants' Fine Wines (Merchant of Vino) are sponsoring a special fund-raising event, "Wine for the Spirit, Health for the Heart," at the Detroit Yacht Club (Belle Isle) on Friday, October 13, beginning at 8 p.m. Participants will enjoy an exquisite sampling of more than 60 vintage wines and international cuisine, a "silent auction," and dancing. For tickets (\$75), call (313) 563-6700.

To place information in the Community Calendar, mail it to "the little paper" at P.O. Box 74038, Romulus, MI 48174-0038; FAX it to us at 941-4874; or call 941-1907 or 941-3113

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## Recreation Programs

Thanks to Brian Hitsky, director, City of Romulus Department of Parks and Recreation, and Keith Brothers, recreation coordinator, for supplying information for the "Recreation Programs" column. For more information about these or other offerings, stop in at the Recreation Department Office, 36515 Bibbins, or call 942-6852.

### Free Soccer Clinic

On Saturday, September 30, a free soccer clinic will be held at Elmer Johnson Park's Softball Field B from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The clinic is open to all boys and girls from five to 15 years of age. Teaching the fundamentals of passing, moving, and shooting skills will be Romulus resident John Thiede, a four-year professional from the United States Indoor Soccer League's "Toledo Twisters" team. Register at the Recreation Building by Friday, September 29. A "waiver of liability" form must be filled out at the time of registration.

### Saturday Trips

Register for the following Saturday trips at the Recreation Department by the Thursday before: Roller Skating (October 7 at 1 p.m.; \$4 with skates extra); Indoor Swimming (October 14 at noon; \$6); "Princess Pinkie and the Dinosaur" (October 21 at 1 p.m.; \$6); and Wiard's Orchard (October 28; \$9; includes hayride, pony ride, putt-putt golf, haunted house, more).

### Daddy/Daughter Dance

A perfect opportunity for Daddy (or Grandpa, Brother, or Uncle) to show his best girl how special she is will be the annual Daddy/Daughter Dance, which will be held at Romulus Middle School on Wednesday, October 11, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. The \$7 cost (\$9 after October 10; \$2 per additional child) covers a flower, one memorable photo, music, and refreshments. Purchase tickets at the Recreation Department.

### Pumpkin Paintin' Party

It's so good, it's scary. This program, limited to 175 children age 11 and under, will be held at Wick School on Wednesday, October 25, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Besides pumpkin painting (children must bring their own clean pumpkin), there will be a magic show, story telling, ghostly-ghostly games, and light refreshments. Tickets (available at the Recreation office) are \$3 per child.

### Cheer America

Participants in this exciting cheer-leading program for children ages five to 15 will make friends and have fun while learning choreographed pompon/

dance routines designed to improve coordination, physical fitness, flexibility, and the ability to work with others. They'll also learn the most popular high school and college cheers; work on jumps, leaps, and splits, and acquire other skills required for high school tryouts. Classes will be held at Barth School on Wednesdays beginning October 4 (6 to 6:45 p.m. for age five to eight; 7 to 7:45 p.m. for age nine to 15). Cost is \$4 per class.

### Karate

Kids age seven and older are invited to take advantage of an incredible "10 lessons for \$10" rate for karate lessons. Students will learn from world-certified instructor Lee McElwaney, a 5th Dan Isshin Ryu and 4th Dan Tae Kwon Do. Instruction is in Isshin Ryu, Tae Kwon Do, Jiu Jitsu, and Kung Fu.

Classes will be held at Merriman School from 6:30 to 8 p.m. every Tuesday and Thursday from October 3 to December 12 (no classes November 23 or, possibly, November 9). Register in advance at the Recreation Building.

### Youth Dance Programs

The Downriver Conservatory of Dance Arts will present two types of dance instruction – jazz and tap – for children age five and older. Instructor Kristina Dodge, just back from studying in New York, is a member of the Monroe Street Dancers and performs regularly with Ballet Americana.

Classes will be offered at Halecreek School every Tuesday from October 3 to November 28 (except October 31) according to the following schedule.

- Jazz, ages five and six (5 to 5:30 p.m.)
- Tap, ages five and six (5:30 to 6 p.m.)
- Jazz, ages seven to nine (6 to 6:45 p.m.)
- Tap, ages seven to nine (6:45 to 7:30 p.m.)

Cost for all programs is \$27.

### Gymnastics

The Tumblebunnies gymnastics program is extremely popular because it offers youngsters confidence-building, coordination, flexibility, and basic tumbling skills. Classes will be held at Wick Elementary School every Thursday from October 5 to November 30 (no class November 23) according to the following schedule.

- Age 18 months to four years (6 to 6:45 p.m.)
- Ages five through seven (6:45 to 7:30 p.m.)
- Ages eight and up (7:30 to 8:15 p.m.)

Cost for each program is \$33. □



# Sassy Seniors

By Mary E. Clark

Special thanks to Audry Moomaw, Manager of the Romulus Tower, and Marilyn Hoffer, Senior Citizens Coordinator for the City of Romulus, for contributing information to this issue's "Sassy Seniors" column. (Note: For further information about events at the Romulus Senior Center, located at 36515 Bibbins, please call 942-6852.)

## Rummage/Bake Sale

Whispering Willows Apartments, located at 11100 Wayne Road, will hold its annual Rummage/Bake Sale inside the apartment building from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday, October 6, and Saturday, October 7.

Because this event always offers such a wide variety of items for sale, its popularity has continued to grow. Come and discover why the senior citizens at Whispering Willows can rightfully brag that they've got something for almost everyone . . . and be sure to bring your change purse!

## Rummage/Bake Sale #2

Still another Rummage/Bake Sale will be held by Senior Citizens Club #1 at the Romulus Senior Center on Tuesday, October 10, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event is a fund raiser for Club #1. Donations of items (already tagged with sale price, please) and/or baked goods are still needed. To donate, or for more information, call Marilyn at the Center: 942-6852.

## Breakfast with Bruce

Do you have questions regarding the Airport's expansion plans, road conditions, or other issues related to Wayne County government? County Commissioner Bruce Patterson will do his best to answer these questions and more over a special breakfast program which he will host in the near future. Space is limited, so sign up now. Registration deadline is October 12.

## Flu Shots

Annapolis Hospital staff will visit the Romulus Senior Center on Wednesday, October 11, to administer flu vaccinations to people of all ages. No appointment is necessary; shots will be given on a first-come, first-served basis from 8 a.m. to noon. Shot recipients must sign a consent form prior to vaccination. Cost is \$5.

## Lunch Out

Enjoy lunch out with old and new friends on Friday, October 13, when the Senior Center's van travels to Northville to sample the fare at Genetti's Hole in the Wall – with a "pit-stop" at an Area cider mill. Sign up at the Center.

## Potluck

The Center's monthly potluck meal – featuring a main dish of delicious chili – will be held at the Center on Wednesday, October 18, at 12 p.m. As always, seniors are invited to bring a dish and bring a friend.

## Friday Shopping Trips

For a transportation fee of \$1.50, Romulus seniors can ride the Center's van to the Southland Shopping Mall on Friday, October 6. Sign up at the Center.

## Special Trips

Seniors interested in more information about these or other special trips planned by the Romulus Senior Center may contact Marilyn Hoffer at 942-6852.

- **Branson, Missouri** – Visit the number-one motorcoach destination in the USA when Romulus seniors travel to Branson, Missouri, to take in an entertainment extravaganza! The \$499 cost (based on double-occupancy rates) of this six-day/five-night tour includes round-trip motorcoach transportation; two nights' lodging enroute; three nights' lodging in Branson; lunch aboard the Branson Belle; two family-style dinners in Branson; and admission to the Par-a-dice Riverboard Casino, the Yakov Smirnoff Breakfast Show, the Ozark Discovery Imax Theatre, and five additional shows.

- **Gambling at the Clarion Kewadin** – Those who like to flirt with Lady Luck will want to take advantage of a special all-day gambling package being offered by the Clarion Kewadin Hotel & Casino. The \$119-per-person cost (based on double-occupancy rates) of the two-day/one-night trip, which departs November 16, includes round-trip motorcoach transportation, one night's lodging, and a complimentary casino package of \$10 in blackjack chips, \$20 in quarters, one pull tab, and two free drinks, as well as a 10% discount at the hotel restaurant.

## Personal Transportation Service

Senior citizens who have no other means of transportation can take advantage of the Romulus Senior Center's personal transportation program. For a fee of \$1, seniors can arrange to be taken anywhere within the City limits in order to conduct personal affairs such as doctor appointments, banking, or shopping. The service is available each Thursday between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. only, so it's best to make your reservation as far ahead as possible. For information, call the Center (942-6852). □

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**BETHANY CHRISTIAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH** – 35737 Vinewood / 326-0810 / Robert L. Gordon, Pastor / Sunday School – 10 a.m. / Sunday Morning Worship – 11 a.m.

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**CHURCH OF CHRIST** – 9426 S. Wayne Rd. / Office: 721-2585 / Phil Morr, Evangelist / Sunday Bible Study – 10 a.m. / Sunday Morning Worship – 11 a.m. / Sunday Evening Worship – 6 p.m. / Wednesday Evening Worship – 7 p.m.

**CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY** – 7201 Kempa St. / 729-2283

**CHURCH OF GOD-ROMULUS** – 8770 S. Wayne Rd. / 729-4884 / Parsonage: 729-7234 / Rev. Douglas M. Bishop, Pastor / Sunday School – 10 a.m. / Sunday Morning Worship – 11 a.m. / Sunday Children's Church – 11 a.m. / Sunday Evening Worship – 6:30 p.m. / Family Training Service – Wednesday, 7 p.m.

**CHURCH OF OUR LORD JESUS MIRACLE TEMPLE** – 36949 Goddard / 941-6070

**COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH** – 6200 Fourth St. / 729-0630 / 419-727-0631 / Rev. Hiram McBurrowst, Pastor / Sunday School – 9:30 a.m. / Sunday Morning Worship – 11 a.m. / Sunday Evening Worship – 6 p.m.

**COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH** – 11160 Olive St. / 941-3474 / Brad Lewis, Pastor / 941-0736 / Sunday School – 9:30 a.m. / Sunday Morning Worship – 11 a.m.

**FAITH HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH** – Oakbrooke Villa Club House / 30251 Elm Street (1 Block South of Eureka) / Rev. Earl W. Ellison, Sr., Pastor / 941-4855 or 721-8489 / Sunday School – 10:45 a.m. / Sunday Morning Worship – 11:30 a.m.

**FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD** – 870 Savage Rd. / Belleville / 699-6700 / Kenneth W. Miller, Pastor / Sunday School – 9:45 a.m. / Sunday Morning Worship – 11 a.m. / Sunday Evening Worship – 6 p.m. / Wednesday Family Night – 7 p.m.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH** – 11412 Delano St. / 941-0225

**FRIENDSHIP COMMUNITY CHURCH** – 19101 Inkster Rd. / Brownstown / 782-1220 / Sunday Morning Worship – 10 a.m. / Adult Bible Study and Sunday School – 11:30 a.m. / Nursery available / Active Drama Team

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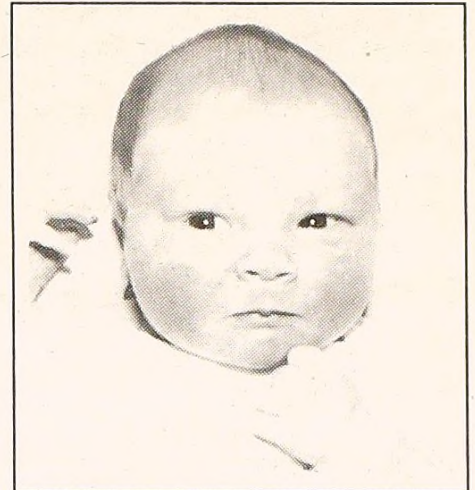
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## Brandon Andrew Golembiewski

Mark and Deanna (Baker) Golembiewski of Ypsilanti, Michigan, are pleased to announce the birth of their son, Brandon Andrew Golembiewski.

Brandon was born in Oakwood Hospital (Dearborn, MI) at 8:54 a.m. on Monday, August 28, 1995, weighing in at seven pounds, 14 ounces, and measuring 20 inches.

Proud grandparents are Paul and Theresa Golembiewski and Don and Marcia Baker (all of Romulus, MI). □



# Obituary

## Jean T. Krueger

Jean T. Krueger of Monroe, Michigan, died on Monday, September 25, 1995. She was 92 years old.

Jean and husband Henry Krueger were married in Ontario, Canada, on June 17, 1926.

Surviving Jean are her daughter, Mrs. Lois Poe (Monroe, MI); two grandchildren, Romulus Police Chief Daryl Poe and sister Sandy; and three great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband; parents John D. and

Janet (Thoms) Gillis; brother Jack Gillis; and sisters Marion Cooke and Margaret Gringle.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, September 28, at Allure Funeral Home (Monroe, MI), with Pastor Michael Rotman (First Baptist Church, Monroe, MI) officiating. Interment was at Michigan Memorial Park Cemetery (Flat Rock). Memorial tributes may be made to the Association for Children's Mental Health. □



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